

WSDOT Road Construction Update for Snohomish County

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Interstate 5 through Everett will [continue to expand](#) with the New Year. In January, crews will set fifteen 86-ton bridge girders across the freeway in less than five days. To do this, we must completely close northbound I-5 for two nights and southbound I-5 for two nights starting January 9. Each night more than 30 crew members using enormous cranes will help raise the 106-foot-long girders (each longer than a basketball court) 35 feet in the air. Once the girders are positioned over I-5 workers will connect them (using more than 6,000 bolts) to form the support frame for the new right-hand Broadway Avenue exit flyover bridge.

We'll work quickly but safely to get the job done and minimize delays for drivers. But we are working right over I-5 so to keep you safe we must close the freeway and to keep workers safe we must allow time for them to work carefully.

What can you do to get around during this work?

- Plan extra time for early morning and late night commutes on I-5 and city streets near the work area. If possible take an alternate route.
- Note the [closure times and detour routes](#). Avoid traveling through the area during those times.

See your commute before you hit the road; cameras up and rolling on US 2 and SR 9

Great news for travelers in the Snohomish area: drivers can now use our Web site to view actual traffic conditions at the intersection of SR 9 and US 2 before they leave home or work.

This month WSDOT turned on two new traffic cameras at the intersection of SR 9 and US 2 in Snohomish County that show both a [north](#) and [southbound](#) view of the road. We added these cameras as part of an [intersection realignment project](#) at the busy intersection of SR 9 and US 2. These cameras are the first of many that will be installed to cover the once rural route.

Our goal is to install enough cameras to help provide drivers with accurate travel information. As new projects are built along this road, we will look at adding cameras to the critical intersections.

Snohomish county drivers can also look forward to four new cameras on US 2 in Monroe at the intersections of SR 522, Kelsey Street, Lewis Street/Chain Lake Road and Main Street/Old Owen Road. Additionally, there will be two more cameras on [SR 522 at the Fales Road/Echo Lake Road](#) intersection. These cameras should be working by late spring/early summer 2006.

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